35.C15229

## PATENT APPLICATION

10/A Prehnat

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

0.D. 3/12/02

In re Application of:		) :	Exami	ner:	Unassigned		
TETSUY	A YANO ET AL.	) :	Group	Art	Unit:	Unassigned	
Application No.: Not Yet Assigned - Based on Japanese		)					
		:					
	Priority Appln. No.	)					
	2000-095008	:					
	Filed March 30, 2000	)					
		:					
Filed: March 29, 2001		)					
		:					
For:	NUCLEIC ACID FRAGMENT	)					
	PRIMER OR PROBE, AND	:					
	METHOD OF DETECTING	)					
	POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE	:					
	SYNTHESIZING	)					
	MICROORGANISM BY	:					
	USING THE SAME	)	March 28	2001			

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
STATEMENT VERIFYING IDENTITY OF PAPER
COPY AND COMPUTER READABLE COPY OF SEQUENCE LISTING

sir:

Prior to receipt of the first action and contemporaneous with the filing of the subject application, kindly amend the application as follows.